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Classified By: Global Affairs Counselor Donald R. Shemanski for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

- 11. (S) Global Affairs officer delivered reftel demarche and accompanying photos September 19 to MFA Deputy Office Director for Export Controls on Non-Conventional Dual Use Goods Markus Klinger and MFA Desk Officer Wiebke Wacker. Klinger said he recognized the time-sensitive nature of our request and undertook to pass the information immediately to Germany's interagency export control working group, which includes German Customs authorities, to decide how to proceed. Klinger said he would report the results of the interagency consultations and keep us informed of any steps the German Government takes in this case. Klinger said German authorities are well aware of the role that Syria's Scientific Studies and Research Center plays in Syria's ballistic missile and WMD programs.
- 12. (U) Post will report any further German response septel. TIMKEN JR